



State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DIVISION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

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November 16, 1988

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Richard E. Max
578 Dorchester Drive
Rivervale, NJ 07675

Dear Mr. Max:

On 10 November 1988 representatives of NJDEP Division of Hazardous Waste Management and Bergen County Health Services conducted an inspection of the former Synkote Paint Co., 144-160 Van Riper Avenue, Elmwood Park. During the inspection it was observed that numerous containers of hazardous waste and other unknown materials remain on-site. Some hazardous waste containers are rusted through and have discharged a portion of their contents to the ground, in violation of the N.J. Spill Compensation and Control Act. Hazardous waste storage at Synkote was also found to be violative of the N.J. Hazardous Waste Regulations and to present a threat to human health and safety.

As Elmwood Park tax records indicate that you are the owner of this property, enclosed find appropriate Notices of Violation (NOV's) under the Spill Act and Hazardous Waste Regulations. In order to attain compliance with the NOV's and to preclude further enforcement action, you must arrange for removal and proper disposal of all hazardous waste from Synkote within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of this letter. Additionally, all unknown containers must be sampled in order to determine hazardous/non-hazardous nature. A knowledgeable contractor must perform the work and this office must be contacted before removal commences.



Richard E. Max

November 15, 1988

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Failure to respond to the attached NOV's will result in further administrative or legal actions. If you have any questions, or require further information, please contact the undersigned investigator at 201-669-3981.

Sincerely,

David W. Oster
Environmental Specialist

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